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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, MNUC, NZ
SUBJ: FOLLOW-UP VISIT BY US NUCLEAR POWERED WARSHIP

REF: WELLINGTON 3277

1. DRAWING ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY EA/ANP DIRECTOR CHRIS SQUIRE THIS MORNING, I HAVE THIS AFTERNOON CONFERRED WITH PRIME MINISTER MULDOON CONCERNING HIS DESIRE FOR AN IMMEDIATE FOLLOW-UP VISIT BY U.S. NPW TO NEW ZEALAND PORT. I ADVISED MULDOON THAT U.S.S. BAINBRIDGE WOULD PROBABLY BE AVAILABLE FOR PORT VISIT SATURDAY THRU MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25-26-27, PRIOR TO ITS PARTICIPATION IN ANZUS KANGAROO II EXERCISE. MULDOON TOLD ME THAT A VISIT AT THAT TIME WOULD BE COMPLETELY ACCEPTABLE. WHILE HE WOULD PREFER KEEPING SPECIFIC PORT-OF-CALL OPEN FOR TIME BEING, MULDOON FURTHER INDICATED THAT AUCKLAND WOULD BE MOST LIKELY CHOICE.

2. DEPARTMENT AND DOD WILL APPRECIATE THAT DIFFICULTIES ASSOCIATED WITH VISIT (PARTICULARLY MEAT LOCKER INSPECTION ISSUE) WILL BE MINIMIZED IF SHIP COMES TO
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NEW ZEALAND DIRECTLY FROM U.S. RATHER THAN FROM SUBIC

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BAY. I UNDERSTAND BAINBRIDGE WILL BE SAILING FROM
U.S. WEST COAST.

3. PRIME MINISTER WOULD WELCOME AND I WOULD LIKE TO
PROVIDE HIM AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE CONFIRMATION OF
VISIT SO THAT PREPARATIONS MAY GO FORWARD. GOVERNMENT'S
LEGISLATION DEALING WITH POLITICAL STRIKES SUCH AS
THAT EXPERIENCED IN WELLINGTON THIS PAST WEEK WILL NOT
BE READY BY END OF SEPTEMBER, BUT MULDOON SAID THAT
WOULD NOT BE AN IMPEDIMENT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED:EARLIEST POSSIBLE CONFIRMATION
THE U.S.S. BAINBRIDGE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR NEW ZEALAND
PORT VISIT SEPTEMBER 25, 26, AND 27.
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